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## ONE WOMAN'S WORK

Ida Tarbell is vindicated. The government has fin ally attacked the very citadel of the Standard Oil company. The attorney general, by his suit instituted in the federal court at St. Louis, charges the rebate-fostering, competition-crushing outlaw with conspiracy in restraint of trade.

Every essential charge made by Miss Tarbell in her expose is repeated and put into the form of legal allegation. Miss Tarbell told of the illegal crushing and unfair manipulation of the price of oils. She told of the organization of bogus independent companies made in order to drive out the real independent companies. She told of the division of the country into districts, each division carrying out the general trade plot. She told of the secret arrangement with the railroads by which the Standard product was carried at from one-half to one-sixth the rate paid by competitors. She told how opolized by the Standard. She told how the ratiroad companies were controlled and dominated by the purchase of stock and the election of Standard directors.

All these things were carefully deduced from the are used. records by Miss Tarbell and made common knowledge. But that the government should actually move in a determinal effort to kill this gigantic trust was scarcely believable. The person who more than any other started the reform of the insurance companies was Thomas Lawson. The person who more than any other started the government attack on the biggest trust in the world was Ida Tarbell

### RATE-FIXING POWER

E. H. Harriman, in his address at Kansas City be fore the Trans-Mississippi congress, objected to the government's assumption of control in the matter of rate-This control, he said, should be left to the railroads, which could do it quicker and more wisely than the government, and with greater impartiality.

He was answered by Geo, J. Kindel, of Denver, who showed what the railroads had done, when left to their own will, and from such facts he concluded what the railroads naturally would do in the future, if left without control. Here are some of the facts he presented as taken from the Denver Times;

"On first-class freight from New York to St. Louis the rate is 1.5 mills per mile per ton; to Denver it is 4.1 mills, while under the new classification many articles are taken out and the rate is doubled. Freight that is 27 cents per hundred pounds from Chicago to Omaha and ought to be 45 cents to Denver, if based or proportionate distance, is instead \$1.60. 'Crockery shipped from Europe to Denver is 78 cents; from New

York to Denver it is \$1.47." Even worse discrimination has existed as far as Albuquerque is concerned it has materially retarded the prosperity of this city, despite all our superior natural advantages However, the Santa Fe officials are now willing to listen to our complaints, with the promise of removing some of them, so that it now remains for the business men to get together, select their committee, tabulate the rates complained of, and lay the facts before the traffic manager. Gentlemen, delays are dangerous

From June 30, 1895, to June 30, 1905, the railway mileage of the country increased from 180,965 to 216,974, or 20 per cent.; the number of cars from 1,265,108 to 1,842,871, or 45 per cent, and the number of engines from 35,610 to 48,357, or 32 per cent. During the same period the ton mileage of freight traffic increased from 88,567,770,801 to 186,463,109,510, or over 110 per cent., and the passenger mileage (passengers carried one mile) from 12,642,202,551 to 23,800,149,436, or 58 per cent These figures show an imperative demand for greater trackage, to meet the still increasing business of the country. Hence, the statement sent out from Chicago that the railways of the whole country have agreed, because of increased wage expenses, to abstain from increasing their trackage extent, is the silliest of tommyrot. The enormous orders already placed for new ralls to be delivered in 1907, show that the railroads are doing their best to cope with the situation and to further the growth of the trade. There seems no doubt that New

it would therefore seem well, from this point of view, to encourage early trial marriage, the relation to be entered into with a view of permanency, but with the privilege of breaking it if proved unsuccessful, and, in the absence of offspring, without suffering any great degree of public condemnation." Mrs. Elsle Clews Parsons, a doctor of philosophy, for six years a lecturer on sociology in Barnard college, daughter of a rich banker and wife of a congressman, proposes this "startling reform" in a book, "The Family," recently issued. It is difficult to imagine greater facility in the anaulment of marriage than now obtains in most of the states.

New Mexican: The farmers of San Juan county received \$120,000 this year for their apple crop and individual farmers averaged as high as \$154 net profit per twenty acres, but when one considers that the average that pays him only half as much per year and lasts only two years, while an apple orehard assures an in their homes and lives might be. come for a lifetime, then the owner of a New Mexico orchard is indeed to be envied. Fighting insect pests is not near as tough as dodging campaign lies.

Elida, Roosevelt County, News: Following the an nouncement made by the News last week, some eighteen or twenty of our citizens met at the school house Wedneaday evening for the purpose of organizing a Commercial club. The meeting was indeed an enthusiastic Charles H. Sims, vice provident; James A. Hill, morretary; Charles E. Hall, treasurer.

waterworks system, with standpips, power bonse and may have more inxuries than the average city man, for complete system of mains, constructed as a total cost the city man is limited, and the farmer king is not. Table of \$42,098. Work will begin in thirty days. This is the lexuries of all kinds may be had in the country at of the city equicil and is the culmination of months of without vegetables, fruit, butter and milk, their tables agitation on the part of the people. The action of the have no fine linear nor festive flower pieces, and the council is popular and the result will be beneficial in the unvariant monotony of bacon and potatoes, bacon and highest degree. The price named does not include east potatoes, is enough to discourge the strongest stomach of well, which is to be furnished by the city.

ing all those in the Lake Superiar. Butte, Arizona, No self to blame, unless his wife may deserve just a little vada. Uinh and Mexico districts, capitalized at \$525,000. of it. Man is limited only by his abilities? What you 900, pay their stockholders nearly \$40,000,000 annually really want to do, you can do! Brains and books As the stock was originally placed at a few cents on the are just as necessary to a successful farmer as they dollar, it is little wonder that there is almost a crafe for are to a lawyer. copper in this country.

give its citizens equal rights, and has Great Britain and a small laws, while the country home includes the sewed up will a treaty to aid it in any war with another orchard with its wealth or fragrant blossoms, or fruit stairs over No. 208 West Emilroud avepower. If these aren't two prize specimens of fat-head laden trees, the barn, with his hayloft and hen's nests; one, where I societ the patronage Angle-Saxon diplomacy, what are they?

There's this to be taken into consideration. Friend the caives, and sheep, and pigs, that any "Howdy" perience in the numbers, Suits made never, did give a rap what any slant-eyed son of the -if only you understand and then, when you atrait to order Clothes sleaned, pressed and orient thought of it.

the end of the football season.

### CARNEGIE TALKS ON SIM-PLIFIED SPELLING PLAN

(Andrew Carnegie, LL., D., in the independent, Current Number.)

Spelling reform has this peculiarity-returns in oth er departments are usually prest by those who are not the highest authorities, but by innovators knowing and caring less for origins, but feeling more the trammels of existing conditions. The contrary is the case with spelling. The great body of philologists are convinced of the necessily of this reform, and are its most ar dent advocates. The more a man knows of our language and of its confusion and anomalies of spelling, the greater a reformer he is. When this movement for reform took definite shape, thirty years ago, its lead ers were Professors March, Whitney, Louisbury, Max Muller and others, the highest authorities of their time; men who were soon joined by scholars like Jalld, Hadley, Barnard, Harris and many others in America, and by Skeat, Murray, Sweet and others in Enguand; while the younger generation of scholars concerned in English philology and lexicography seem to be even more zealous for reform. In fact, in this matter, expert the pipe lines, chartered as common carriers, were mon- opinion and common sense point in the same direction. Reform must be begun. The class that resists most is that of aged literary recluses, who resent disturbance and wish to continue in the old ways to which they

One of the most prominent men gave as his objection that the new spelling would cause the present books to be destroyed and new ones to be printed. There never was the alightest foundation for this fear, New books and new editions will be printed, of course as they are now. How else will printers and publishers live? But the present books will continue to be read and used, just as we read and use books printed twenty, fifty or a hundred years ago. In time the old books that are not worn out will retire to the lessrequented alcoves of our libraries, where they will be omfortably read by students interested, and left alone by the rest of mankind, exactly as is done now,

A celebrated author has declared "the language of Shapespeare good enough for him." He must have spoken without thinking.

Here are some of the lines of Shakespeare as spelld in the first edition of his plays: "My friend tSephen, signifies pray you Within the house, your mistress is at hand And bring your musique foorth into the ayre. How sweet the moone-light sleeps vpon this banke, Heere will we sit, and let the sounds of musicke Creepe in our cares soft stilnes, and the night

Become the tutches of sweet harmonic -Merchant of Venice, Act V., Ham-The Ayre bites shrewdly; it is very cold. Hor.-it is a nipping and an eager ayre. Ham .- What hower now?

Ham. No, it is strooke Hor.-Indeed I heard it not; then it drawes neere the

Wherein the Spirit held his went to walke.

Hor -- I thinke it lacks of twelve

-Hamlet In these fourteen lines there are twenty-six variaons from the present prevailing spelling, and yet we have not lost the language of Shakespeare.

Simplification of spelling has always been going on Take the word fish, for example. The author of the Treatyse of Fysshynge wyth an Angle" (1 96) spelt the yord flysshe, and Caxton did the like, and worse, Earlier writers besides fish, had used fishe, tyshe, fisch, fysche, fishsh, fissh, fysshe, fisshe, ffyssh, fiche, fyche, fisse, fiss, fix, fix, and a few more varieties. Some one has cited from Coverdale's English version of the Bible (1535), which was printed in Germany, these other varieties: fiszh, flyszhe, fiszsh, besides fysce, and fish Within one generation most of these superabundant spellings were set aside, and only one prevailed-fish. This was simplification. It was effected, not by ab-Some persons began the change others accepted it be cause it was good,

The reformers who gave us today the simple spelling of fish would, if known, be entitled to and would receive the gratitude of the English-speaking race. They seem to be unknown, but in this movement of today, fortunately, the records are being kept, and fut ure generations will hold certain names in grateful Mexico will get her full share of the necessary exten- remembrance; among those the independent will occupy a conspicuous position in the front rank as pioneer with President Roosevelt.

The movement promises well; already more than 10,000 persons, including many of the best known educators, scholars, scientists, professional and business men, agreed to adopt the 300 words. Many newspapers and many business firms have done the same, and the list swells daily. This is sufficient to lead to further teps and ensure ultimate success.

### PLEASURES OF HOME TO THOSE LIVING ON FARMS

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Much has been said and written on the discomforts and inconveniences of country life, but the truth acre of apple orchard. This is only \$3,000 for every is, life is largely what you make it, whether in city or country, and nowadays a country home has the greatman will work his fingernalis off to secure a polifical job est advantages. The trouble is, most of farmers do not realize how well off they are, and how nearly ideal

Free rural delivery of mail and the telephones have removed the greatest objection to farm life, viz.: Isolaion. Ail the luxuries of city life the country home may have, and expend a less amount of energy to produce hem than the city dweller must do.

The average city man works from 8 a. m. to 5 % on and then nows his lawn and sprinkles it, and does many other chores while he is resting (7.) At the end of the year, if he is square with the world, he one. After some rousing speeches and much thoughtful counts himself lucky; if he has saved one hundred doldiscussion, the election of officers was entered into lars, he feels that he has done well. The city man which resulted as follows: E. V. Boddy, president; puts in more hours of faithful work than any farmer does he has to, or he'd lost his job.

Whenever a farmer uses as much brains about his ocic as a man who manages his own business in Artesia Advocate: Artesia will have a modern the city, he become a king, in a world of als own, and immediate result of a couple of days of streamons seed on less expense than in the city, yet many framers do Albuquerque

and knock a righteous liver nalley west, If a man towns one agre of land, and does not on Leather, Paints, Varnishes, About sixty dividend-paying copper mines, comprise live in a wholesome, civilized manner, he has only him-

After the business side of farm life is settled, the UPSTAIRS, OVER NO. 209 WEST dear cozy home life is still left, and this the city Japan has the United States tied up with a treaty to man cannot have, for his home is fimited to four walls the burses; that whitny their greetings and touch you the public the burses; that whitny their greetings and touch you the public. All work guaranteed built their velvet mones; the cows, that coax for nub-class, as I have had fifteen years' exfrom the leary tane, band, in hand with you sweet- influence flown the leafy lane, hand, in hand with you sweet-heart-wife, and the whole farm menageric a-tagging at also cleaned and walking skirts made Appropriately enough, Thankegiring day come, at your beels-would you trade this for anything the city to order. One me a trial thas to offer?

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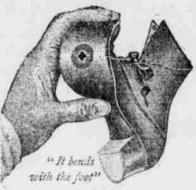
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